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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 19:03:09 EDT  
From: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: QRP-L digest 2673

QRP-L Digest 2673

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by "=?iso-8859-1?B?TthCUw==?=" <n0bs@msn.com>
- 17) [134562] WTB: Wilderness Sierra  
by rsstone@juno.com
- 18) [134563] ROCK'n TONITE!  
by Earl Murphy <earlmurf@telusplanet.net>
- 19) [134564] Re: qrz.com

- by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
- 20) [134565] Thanks everyone  
by IamSF5@aol.com
- 21) [134566] RockMite VX0 Modification  
by "Paul Christensen" <w9ac@arrl.net>
- 22) [134567] Re: Need Silver Contacts for the new NorCal Paddle mod!  
by Ingo Meyer DK3RED <dk3red@gmx.net>
- 23) [134568] Re: qrz.com  
by "Jack Bennett" <J.Bennett@lboro.ac.uk>
- 24) [134569] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
by "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>
- 25) [134570] RE: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )  
by "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
- 26) [134571] Re: 15 meters is open  
by Dave Sjolín <sjolin@swbell.net>
- 27) [134572] Re: 15 meters is open  
by Ed Tanton <n4xy@earthlink.net>
- 28) [134573] Re: Calling the battery gurus  
by "" <markb@abq.com>
- 29) [134574] Re: qrz.com  
by "Pastor-KC1DI" <elbc@pivot.net>
- 30) [134575] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
by <igeq100@iupui.edu>
- 31) [134576] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
by "Paul Christensen" <w9ac@arrl.net>
- 32) [134577] Re: qrz.com  
by bob evinger <wd9eka@evinger.com>
- 33) [134578] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
by "Dave Benson" <nn1g@earthlink.net>
- 34) [134579] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
by "Tony Fishpool" <tony@g4wif.fsnet.co.uk>
- 35) [134580] RE: RockMite VX0 Modification  
by "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
- 36) [134581] Re: qrz.com  
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
- 37) [134582] FS : K2  
by Jim Crooke <crooke@prodigy.net>
- 38) [134583] K0EVZ FOX list coming  
by "Doc Lindsey K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
- 39) [134584] RE:Six Meter AM @5400 kHz?  
by Karl Kanalz <kkanalz@gcecispc.com>
- 40) [134585] K0EVZ FOX Log for 6 Sep 02  
by "Doc Lindsey K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
- 41) [134586] RE:Six Meter AM @5400 kHz?  
by Ed Manuel <edmanuel@directvinternet.com>
- 42) [134587] Test don't bother to read  
by "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
- 43) [134588] re: "RockMite VX0 Modification" - solved!

- by Ken Hopper <khopper@uchicago.edu>
- 44) [134589] Re: 15 meters is open  
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 45) [134590] FS: 1982 ARRL Handbook  
by Larry East <w1hue@amsat.org>
- 46) [134591] RE: 1982 ARRL Handbook  
by "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
- 47) [134592] Michigan QRP Net  
by kwike@gdls.com
- 48) [134593] Re: 15 meters is open  
by Bill ROWLETT <kc4atu@yahoo.com>
- 49) [134594] Re: 15 meters is open  
by Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>
- 50) [134595] RE: 15 meters is open  
by "Fancher, Mark (GEAE)" <Mark.Fancher@ae.ge.com>
- 51) [134596] Re: K0EVZ FOX Log - Pesky Texans  
by "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
- 52) [134597] Interesting Message - Probable Virus  
by "Bill Jones" <kd7s@psnw.com>
- 53) [134598] Newbie Question about QSL Cards  
by "Mullin, Edward J." <mulline@tycoelectronics.com>
- 54) [134599] To Bob Armstrong -Manti Tornado  
by w0yse@juno.com
- 55) [134600] Re: Interesting Message - Probable Virus  
by Ed Tanton <n4xy@earthlink.net>
- 56) [134601] Re: Interesting Message - Probable Virus  
by "Frank Emens" <femens@hiwaay.net>

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Date: Sun, 08 Sep 2002 19:18:45 -0500  
From: Dave Hottell <hottell@gulftel.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134546] Calling the battery gurus  
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20020908191845.00ef87e0@pop.gulftel.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Gang,

I have a standard issue (i.e. Wal-Mart) deep cycle battery that I use to power rigs (group 24, 140 min. reserve that claims to be both deep cycle and starting). I usually charge it with an old Heath automatic charger that sets the voltage to about 13.6v or so. The battery is a couple of years old so I decided to try to give it an 'equalizing' charge as I have read about on some web sites. Hooked it up to another charger that puts out about 15v or so max. and current limited to 2 amps.

After charging for a few hours (and spitting some acid out of a cell I had a bit too full) I read the cells with an old hydrometer of uncertain accuracy.

Cell	Spec Grav
1	1.215
2	1.230
3	1.230
4	1.225
5	1.215
6	1.210

The battery read 13.2v open circuit when I took these readings. It had been off the 15v charger for just a few minutes at that time. There was very little charge going into the battery when I unhooked it. In fact it took very little charge the whole time it was connected to the higher voltage -- it was already fully charged by the lower voltage Heath. I was simply trying to remove any sulfate that had accumulated over its life.

So my question is whether or not these readings are normal. Is this amount of variation between cells reasonable?

If someone can point me to a website discussing this, I am interested in learning.

73,  
Dave  
AB9CA

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Date: Sun, 8 Sep 2002 20:34:50 -0400  
From: "Steve Baker" <k8pz@earthlink.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134547] Re: Calling the battery gurus  
Message-ID: <00ac01c25798\$b6fbb570\$0600a8c0@trantec1>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dave,  
Here's a start:  
<http://www.usbr.gov/power/data/fist/fist3-6/fist3601.htm>

Steve ..

----- Original Message -----

From: "Dave Hottell" <hottell@gulftel.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Sunday, September 08, 2002 8:18 PM

Subject: Calling the battery gurus

> Gang,

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> learning.

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> 73,

> Dave

> AB9CA

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Date: Sun, 8 Sep 2002 20:41:12 -0400  
From: "Steve Baker" <k8pz@earthlink.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134548] Re: Calling the battery gurus  
Message-ID: <00b001c25799\$9a58d140\$0600a8c0@trantec1>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Oops, try this link:

[http://www.usbr.gov/power/data/fist/fist3~6/3~6\\_cont.htm](http://www.usbr.gov/power/data/fist/fist3~6/3~6_cont.htm)

Steve ..

----- Original Message -----

From: "Dave Hottell" <hottell@gulftel.com>

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> learning.

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 01:43:51 +0000  
From: "Alan Fryer" <N3BJ@hotmail.com>  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134549] FS: INRAD CW Filter for FT-817  
Message-ID: <0E15L1c00goZolmRBaY00021929@hotmail.com>

For Sale:

INRAD 500 Hz CW filter for 817. Like new, works FB.

\$100 shipped

Alan, N3BJ  
Bent Mountain, VA

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Date: Sun, 8 Sep 2002 22:43:55 -0400  
From: "George Osier" <gosier@twcnny.rr.com>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134550] WTB..... Ten Tec Century 21 analog or digital  
Message-ID: <000701c257aa\$bde5b540\$aa634342@twcnny.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hello All !!!

Looking for a TT C21 digital or analog in VG or EX condx .....  
E-mail direct

73s

George Osier , N2JNZ / QRP

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Date: Sun, 08 Sep 2002 23:00:19 -0400  
From: Michael Pupeza <mpupeza@sympatico.ca>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134551] Need Silver Contacts for the new NorCal Paddle mod!  
Message-ID: <B9A18702.8B12%mpupeza@sympatico.ca>  
Mime-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

I'm in line for the new 'narrow' Norcal Keyer modification, BUT will need  
some additional of the silver contacts to make it a 'perfect' keyer!  
WHO has those silver contacts for a bunch for a buck?????  
Let me know who it is and how much for a 'Bunch' mailed to Canada (Near  
Toronto) and I'll order enough to handle a few additional modifications!  
73, 72  
Mike VE3EQP....>

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Date: Sun, 08 Sep 2002 22:13:05 -0500  
From: bob evinger <wd9eka@evinger.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134552] qrz.com  
Message-ID: <3D7C11C1.1030408@evinger.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Anybody know what happened to qrz.com, I have been unable to get to it anytime today(sunday). All other sites that I have went to have been working okay. Are they down?

bob

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Bob Evinger WD9EKA/AAR5MG(Army MARS operator)  
If Guns Cause Crime, Then Matches Cause Arson.

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 07:14:24 -0400  
From: "TIM O'ROURKE" <kg4chx@telocity.com>  
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134553] Re: For Sale Long List  
Message-ID: <GKENKCCGKMCIHINPDCBPEEDHCAAA.kg4chx@telocity.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

If the tower is still available contact ne off the list.  
Tim W4YN@ARRL.Net

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 11:51:34 +0000  
From: "Leon Heller" <leon\_heller@hotmail.com>  
To: leon\_heller@hotmail.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134554] Re: Crystal ladder filter and crystal checker PCBs  
Message-ID: <F181XnG5n6tz0Lfnz1l00005ce0@hotmail.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

>From: "Leon Heller" <leon\_heller@hotmail.com>  
>To: "Low Power" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>



>Subject: Crystal ladder filter and crystal checker PCBs  
>Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 11:36:48 +0100  
>  
>I've created a web page with details of the ladder filter and crystal  
>checker:  
>  
><http://www.geocities.com/ladder.html>

Sorry, should be

[http://www.geocities.com/leon\\_heller/ladder.html](http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller/ladder.html)

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>I've included pics of the prototype PCBs and design information for the  
>filter, with a SPICE  
>plot, as well as printer output files for the PCB artworks.  
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>Please email me if you have any problems or suggestions.  
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>73, Leon  
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>Leon Heller, G1HSM  
>[leon\\_heller@hotmail.com](mailto:leon_heller@hotmail.com)  
>[http://www.geocities.com/leon\\_heller](http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller)

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Leon Heller, G1HSM Tel: +44 1424 14790  
Email:[leon\\_heller@hotmail.com](mailto:leon_heller@hotmail.com)  
My web page: [http://www.geocities.com/leon\\_heller](http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller)  
My low-cost Altera Flex design kit: <http://www.leonheller.com>

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Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: <http://messenger.msn.com>

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 08:09:10 -0400  
From: "Fancher, Mark (GEAE)" <[Mark.Fancher@ae.ge.com](mailto:Mark.Fancher@ae.ge.com)>  
To: "'Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion'" <[qrp-l@lehigh.edu](mailto:qrp-l@lehigh.edu)>  
Subject: [134555] VP6DI  
Message-ID: <[F9351DA9F0F6D41187410090277B3EB307D3076D@ev008msxaege.ae.ge.com](mailto:F9351DA9F0F6D41187410090277B3EB307D3076D@ev008msxaege.ae.ge.com)>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"

I checked the QSL manager webpage:

<http://www.ve3ho.com/ve3ho-qslmgr.htm#vp6di>

Look's like 7000 of the 24000 cards have been sent out so far. Those of us who made a small donation will probably just have to wait.

Mark, AA4MF

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 06:33:51 -0600 (MDT)  
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134556] 15 meters is open  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0209090625540.1909-100000@bucket.dog>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I got my FT-817 going around 0200 UTC and decided to just tune the dead 15 meters. There was a signal, strong on 21.015 so I called him, W9IW. He came right back and gave me a 577. I gave him a 599+ and told him I was QRP 250 milliwatts. He said I was good copy. Doug then tuned his rig ic765 all the way down to 10 watts and I told him still 599.

We rag chewed for about 40 minutes. Doug is in Nashville, Te where his kids are living. He plans to open his rig up and didle the power control to bottom out at 5 watts.

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72, Karl K5DI

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 11:32:55 -0500  
From: "tmyers" <tmyers@academicplanet.com>  
To: <Mark.Fancher@ae.ge.com>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134557] Re: VP6DI  
Message-ID: <002c01c2581e\$8e4a6aa0\$0100a8c0@newkid>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

What is the rush? Score is only kept once a year, but the cut-off is the end of September.

I sent mine in around October or November so I'm early or late and I get to be surprised twice. Once when I do the paper work and once when I see it on the list and no schedule to worry about.

No VP6DI card yet but I did get my VP6AJ (Henderson Is.) months ago. Both fell to the K2.

73  
Terry, KQ5U  
Spring, Texas

----- Original Message -----  
From: Fancher, Mark (GEAE) <Mark.Fancher@ae.ge.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 07:09  
Subject: VP6DI

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 11:36:48 +0100  
From: "Leon Heller" <leon\_heller@hotmail.com>  
To: "Low Power" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134558] Crystal ladder filter and crystal checker PCBs  
Message-ID: <DAV38docqvUZUw9oIgp0000d441@hotmail.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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73, Leon

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Leon Heller, G1HSM  
leon\_heller@hotmail.com  
[http://www.geocities.com/leon\\_heller](http://www.geocities.com/leon_heller)

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Date: Sun, 08 Sep 2002 13:12:49 -0400  
From: Joseph Mikuckis <k3chp@erols.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134559] Re Six Meter AM  
Message-ID: <3D7B8511.3140@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Lots of six-meter AM activity around Washington, DC/Baltimore area each Sunday at 9 am local time on 5400 KHz.

Joe, K3CHP  
Frederica, DE

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 08:52:44 -0500  
From: "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134560] RE: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )  
Message-ID: <NGBBJPBAOLKEABLLGGKBAEJKCDAA.KD5NWA@MBayona.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Do I detect a little bit of anger here? It's just a hobby, remember that. I wonder if people that are so vitriolic in their comments bothered to learn how to use their DSP features of their radios if they own one at all. And by the way the use of foul language is not appropriate to this list, there are children, ladies and gentlemen that would rather keep that language where it belongs, in some back street or gutter. Sorry to the list, I just had to make a comment after getting several copies of the same message.

Cecil  
KD5NWA

-----Original Message-----

From: tentec-admin@contesting.com [mailto:tentec-admin@contesting.com] On Behalf Of k8cv  
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2002 8:39 AM  
To: johnclif@ix.netcom.com  
Subject: Re: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )

Companies ..... as " w " would say, operate FOR PROFIT not for customer satisfaction!

ADVERTISING makes shit smell good :-) DSP radios are SHIT !! PERIOD, end of paragraph !!

Hoopla about listening to PROGRAMMERS is just that , hoopla !

You can't get within a newyork mile of a KILOWATT station with a DSP radio, even if it has the name TENTEC on the front and back panel.

What is an ORION ? Why it is a \$3300 dollar PROFIT for TenTec that's what!

What's inside you might ask .....

An OMNI-6 PLUS and PEGASUS , that's what ! With a NERD screen that does nothing for transmit or receive ! Will that be a wining combination, will the NERDS buy, Christmas will tell. This is a venture into the UNKNOWN ..... is the display more important that the GUTS .....  
ah, MARKETING !!

Walt Amos K8CV Royal Oak, MI.

----- Original Message -----

From: "John Clifford" <johnclif@ix.netcom.com>

To: "Jerry Harley" <wa2tti@qsl.net>

Cc: <tentec@contesting.com>

Sent: Monday, September 02, 2002 00:24

Subject: RE: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )

> Whether or not I own a Jupiter, or whether or not I own a Ten-Tec radio at  
> all, is totally irrelevant to this discussion.

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> I, as an owner of Ten-Tec equipment and a potential owner of new  
equipment,

> represent a point of view that should be important to Ten-Tec. You, as an  
> owner of a Jupiter, also represent a point of view that is important.

> However... from a purely economical vantage, the view of a potential  
> Jupiter/Orion purchaser SHOULD BE more important than a current Jupiter  
> owner.

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> Why? How much additional revenue will Ten-Tec get from you concerning  
your

> current Jupiter purchase? Zip, zero, nada, nothing (unless they go to a  
> subscription model for updates, and I think they should). My potential  
> purchase (and the thousands of potential purchasers out there) is  
important,

> and if many potential purchasers are put off by what they see as QC  
> problems... then sales will be down. And that is not a good thing for  
> anyone who likes Ten-Tec (as I do).

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> certain Redmond-based software company where we listened to an industry  
> pundit speak. His main topic... "perception is reality." This offended  
me

> at first... HEY, we write great software! But as I listened to him and as  
I

> thought about what he was saying, I realized that he was doing me, and my  
> company, a BIG favor.

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> You don't have a problem with several rapid buggy releases, or the general  
> level of Ten-Tec QC. Fine. Read the Jupiter reviews and comments on eHam  
> and various other Internet venues. Many people DO have a problem with it.  
> Many times MORE people read these comments and reviews, and these add a  
> level of uncertainty to the PERCEIVED wisdom of buying a Ten-Tec. If  
people

> are unsure, they don't buy.

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> Perception is reality. Whether or not Ten-Tec's QC is better/worse/the  
same

> as Icom/Kenwood/Yaesu/etc., the PERCEPTION out there is that it is WORSE.  
> Things like releasing three updates that have to be quickly reversed due  
> to  
> bugs doesn't help reduce that perception... and since anyone can browse  
> the  
> Ten-Tec elist this is very public to potential purchasers like most hams  
> who  
> are willing to do a little bit of research.  
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> this  
> (percent of returns for QC problems decreasing from x% to y%). Remember  
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> - jgc  
>  
> John Clifford KD7KGX  
>  
> Heathkit HW-9 WARC/HFT-9/HM-9  
> Elecraft K2 #1678 /KSB2/KI02/KBT2/KAT2/KNB2/KAF2/KPA100  
> Ten-Tec Omni VI/Opt1  
>  
> email: kd7kgx@arrl.net  
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> TenTec@contesting.com  
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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 08:56:22 -0700  
From: "=?iso-8859-1?B?TthCUw==?=" <n0bs@msn.com>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134561] Six meters AM  
Message-ID: <NFB BK GFDGLNKCKOKBBOCCEGACPAA.n0bs@msn.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There is regular 6m AM activity in the MN area. There is a large and active contingent of BA enthusiasts here, and 5-10 of them get together every Wed evening during the winter months for a 6m round table. It is a mix of BA's like Rangers, Knight Kits, Gonsets, etc and SP-600, NC-183D, HQ-170, etc as well as modern rigs, including some QRP stations (FT-817). Lots of fun - AM freq is 50.4. Everyone is welcome, esp QRPers. When 6m is open, QRP is great - signal strengths can be incredible. I have more countries than states worked on 6m!  
Tom Moll N0BS

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 14:01:20 GMT  
From: rsstone@juno.com  
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134562] WTB: Wilderness Sierra  
Message-ID: <20020909.100151.9.55310@webmail4.nyc.untld.com>

Hi - If anyone has a Sierra that they would like to part with, please contact me direct. Indicate age (if known), condition, accessories, band modules, and price. I notice that they appear to be selling for around \$200+ on Ebay recently, well equipped. Thanks!

72,

Ron (KA3J)  
rsstone@juno.com



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Date: Sun, 08 Sep 2002 22:09:09 -0600

From: Earl Murphy <earlmurf@telusplanet.net>

To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>, QRP-CANADA <qrp-canada@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>

Subject: [134563] ROCK'n TONITE!

Message-ID: <3D7C1EE4.2509BE17@telusplanet.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Just put my little MITE 20 to the test tonight....Low and behold...Three  
QSO's within 1/2 hour.....

--First QSO: KC2JCA (Jim) reported 559.....Thanks Jim for the  
first QSO

--Second QSO: KB8FE (Keith) reported 549....Thanks Keith

--Third and MOST exciting QSO: N4EO (Jerry) reported 579....Rock Mite  
20 to Rock Mite

20...Boy, Jerry and I lit up the sky with 1 watt between us...THANKS  
Jim, and was also my first RM to RM.....

This is just to MUCH FUN!!!

72.....Earl (VA6RF) Pounding Brass in Bassano, AB

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Date: Sun, 8 Sep 2002 20:45:10 -0700

From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [134564] Re: qrz.com

Message-ID: <20020909034510.GA12241@bob.n7xy.net>

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Disposition: inline

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Bob, N7XY

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Date: Sun, 8 Sep 2002 23:55:23 EDT  
From: IamSF5@aol.com  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134565] Thanks everyone  
Message-ID: <167.138bffffe.2aad75ab@aol.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Many thanks to everyone who sent me the URL for W4RNL antennas web page.  
Lots of reading and good info.  
Already located a source for the hardware i'll need.  
Bob  
AF2Q

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 10:34:37 -0400  
From: "Paul Christensen" <w9ac@arrl.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134566] RockMite VX0 Modification  
Message-ID: <005401c2580e\$06a5a2a0\$6401a8c0@se1.client2.attbi.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Has anyone had any success in modifying their RockMite to extended frequency coverage with a VX0? I am thinking that the SST VX0

circuit combined with two parallel crystals might work nicely to extend coverage out to approximately 50 kHz and the parts count is quite small.

-Paul, W9AC

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 08:33:16 +0200  
From: Ingo Meyer DK3RED <dk3red@gmx.net>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134567] Re: Need Silver Contacts for the new NorCal Paddle mod!  
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.1.20020909082905.009fbaf0@pop.gmx.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hello Mike,

>I'm in line for the new 'narrow' Norcal Keyer modification, BUT will need  
>some additional of the silver contacts to make it a 'perfect' keyer!  
>WHO has those silver contacts for a bunch for a buck?????

If you have an old relay in your junkbox try it with the contacts from this one. Use a small file to remove the securing on the back side of the contact. Push the contact now with a needle out of the hole.

72/73 de Ingo, DK3RED Don't forget: the fun is the power!

dk3red@t-online.de    <http://www.t-online.de/~dk3red>  
DL-QRP-AG #824       <http://www.dl-qrp-ag.de>

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 15:33:24 +0100  
From: "Jack Bennett" <J.Bennett@lboro.ac.uk>  
To: <nielsen@oz.net>,  
      "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134568] Re: qrz.com  
Message-ID: <005001c2580d\$da5c5ae0\$98327d9e@pc2000eljb5>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
              charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Bob,

Just for your information, I have just accessed qrz.com with no problems whatsoever. Certainly over the last few weeks there has been no problem from here, so I can only assume that the problems are local.

72 & Regards,

Jack  
G3PVG

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bob Nielsen" <nielsen@oz.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 4:45 AM  
Subject: Re: qrz.com

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 10:42:24 -0400  
From: "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>  
To: w9ac@arrl.net  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134569] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
Message-ID: <3D7CB350.5080806@buttery.org>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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> circuit combined with two parallel crystals might work nicely to extend coverage out to approximately 50 kHz and the parts count is  
> quite small.

You would have to move the center frequency of the crystal filter on the input as well (or bypass it); otherwise, changing the frequency of the LO would do you no good at all. It might also be difficult to preserve the correct transmit-receive offset.

That being said, I'd love to hear from anyone who succeeds!

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 09:45:58 -0500  
From: "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>, "w8diz" <w8diz@fpqrp.com>  
Subject: [134570] RE: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )  
Message-ID: <NGBBJPBAOLKEABLLGGKBGEJOCDA.KD5NWA@MBayona.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

It was sent by mistake, my filter was not setup correctly and it was placed in the wrong folder, I have tried several times to send an apology to the group, but my email provider doesn't allow me to send an original mail to the list, I thinks the list is a spammer.

Cecil  
KD5NWA

-----Original Message-----  
From: w8diz [mailto:w8diz@fpqrp.com]  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 9:41 AM  
To: KD5NWA@mbayona.com  
Subject: Re: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )

Cecil...

Why did you send this email to QRP-L? It looks like it originated on the TenTec reflector, NOT QRP-L

72 & "oo's" - Dieter (DIZ) Gentzow - W8DIZ - Loveland, Ohio  
Clermont County near Cincinnati; EM79uf; 39.218N - 84.305W  
<http://home.cinci.rr.com/w8diz> & <http://kitsandparts.com>

----- Original Message -----

From: "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 9:52 AM  
Subject: RE: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )

Do I detect a little bit of anger here? It's just a hobby, remember that. I wonder if people that are so vitriolic in their comments bothered to learn how to use their DSP features of their radios if they own one at all. And by the way the use of foul language is not appropriate to this list, there are children, ladies and gentlemen that would rather keep that language where it belongs, in some back street or gutter. Sorry to the list, I just had to make a comment after getting several copies of the same message.

Cecil  
KD5NWA

-----Original Message-----

From: tentec-admin@contesting.com [mailto:tentec-admin@contesting.com] On Behalf Of k8cv  
Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2002 8:39 AM  
To: johnclif@ix.netcom.com  
Subject: Re: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )

Companies ..... as " w " would say, operate FOR PROFIT not for customer satisfaction!

ADVERTISING makes shit smell good :-) DSP radios are SHIT !! PERIOD, end of paragraph !!

Hoopla about listening to PROGRAMMERS is just that , hoopla !

You can't get within a newyork mile of a KILOWATT station with a DSP radio, even if it has the name TENTEC on the front and back panel.

What is an ORION ? Why it is a \$3300 dollar PROFIT for TenTec that's what!

What's inside you might ask .....

An OMNI-6 PLUS and PEGASUS , that's what ! With a NERD screen that does nothing for transmit or receive ! Will that be a wining combination, will

the NERDS buy, Christmas will tell. This is a venture into the UNKNOWN  
..... is the display more important than the GUTS  
.....  
ah, MARKETING !!

Walt Amos K8CV Royal Oak, MI.

----- Original Message -----

From: "John Clifford" <johnclif@ix.netcom.com>

To: "Jerry Harley" <wa2tti@qsl.net>

Cc: <tentec@contesting.com>

Sent: Monday, September 02, 2002 00:24

Subject: RE: [TenTec] Re: Jupiter firmware problems...NOT! (SO!... )

> Whether or not I own a Jupiter, or whether or not I own a Ten-Tec radio at  
> all, is totally irrelevant to this discussion.

>

> I, as an owner of Ten-Tec equipment and a potential owner of new  
equipment,

> represent a point of view that should be important to Ten-Tec. You, as an  
> owner of a Jupiter, also represent a point of view that is important.

> However... from a purely economical vantage, the view of a potential  
> Jupiter/Orion purchaser SHOULD BE more important than a current Jupiter  
> owner.

>

> Why? How much additional revenue will Ten-Tec get from you concerning  
your

> current Jupiter purchase? Zip, zero, nada, nothing (unless they go to a  
> subscription model for updates, and I think they should). My potential  
> purchase (and the thousands of potential purchasers out there) is  
important,

> and if many potential purchasers are put off by what they see as QC  
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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 09:51:26 -0500  
From: Dave Sjolín <[sjolin@swbell.net](mailto:sjolin@swbell.net)>  
To: [k5di@zianet.com](mailto:k5di@zianet.com),  
    Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <[qrp-l@lehigh.edu](mailto:qrp-l@lehigh.edu)>  
Subject: [134571] Re: 15 meters is open  
Message-ID: <002201c25810\$60401a50\$62dad840@DaveSjolín>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Not nearly as interesting as your ear wax or Linux travails. Thanks so much for sharing.

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <[k5di@zianet.com](mailto:k5di@zianet.com)>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU)>  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 7:33 AM  
Subject: 15 meters is open

>  
> I got my FT-817 going around 0200 UTC and decided to just tune  
> the dead 15 meters. There was a signal, strong on 21.015 so I called  
> him, W9IW. He came right back and gave me a 577. I gave him a 599+ and  
> told him I was QRP 250 milliwatts. He said I was good copy. Doug then  
> tuned his rig ic765 all the way down to 10 watts and I told him still  
> 599.  
>  
> We rag chewed for about 40 minutes. Doug is in Nashville, Te  
> where his kids are living. He plans to open his rig up and diddle the



Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 09:15:18 -0600  
From: "" <markb@abq.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134573] Re: Calling the battery gurus  
Message-ID: <976ed44f8d6342b9aa838f41240e99b2.markb@abq.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

Hi Dave;

> I have a standard issue (i=2E Wal-Mart) deep cycle battery=20  
> The battery is a couple of years old so I decided to try to give=20  
> it an 'equalizing' charge=20  
> I read the cells with an old hydrometer of uncertain accuracy=2E =20

> Cell Spec Grav  
> 1 1=2E215  
> 2 1=2E230  
> 3 1=2E230  
> 4 1=2E225  
> 5 1=2E215  
> 6 1=2E210

> So my question is whether or not these readings are normal=2E =20

It's not quite charged yet=2E SG should be at least 1=2E27 at 25C=2E =20  
I'd leave that 15V @ 2A on a while longer and monitor the SG over=20  
time=2E Also, equalizing doesn't take place until the battery is 100%,  
so you were probably still just charging it=2E Cells will fizz  
at above about 2=2E3V per cell, so this is normal even during  
regular charging=2E

One sign of a battery in decline is the SG will never get past  
a certain point, it will just fizz and get warm=2E Not that the  
battery is junk at this point, but it does have reduced capacity=2E  
Charge efficiency also goes down, you have to put more Ah's into  
it than you get out=2E The extra is lost in heat and converting  
water into H and O=2E Eventually you reach a point where it no=20  
longer can hold up the load you expect out of it, and it's time  
to make a trip to Wal-Mart or wherever for a new one=2E

A 2A charge rate will never hurt that battery, let it stay on  
there a good long time (couple of days) and watch the SG and  
feel it with your hand to see if it's getting warm=2E Beyond that  
there's nothing more you can do except keep water in the cells

and load test it periodically to make sure it can do what you need it to=2E

Something to keep in mind with flooded batteries is if they're not exercised, they do exhibit reduced capacity for the first couple of cycles=2E You can't let it sit on a float charger for 6 months and expect it to perform 100% when called to duty=2E So before hauling it out to Field Day or camping or wherever, load it down for a while then do an equalize charge to make sure you have all the Ah's you'll need=2E

> Is this amount of variation between cells reasonable?

It shows all the cells are not equal=2E In the real world they're never all exactly the same and as the battery gets older they'll tend to diverge even more=2E But a small difference (a few percent) is OK=2E

> If someone can point me to a website discussing this,=20

> I am interested in learning=2E

I've never found a \*single\* website that had everything you would ever want to know=2E If you read charger manufacturer sites you learn about charging, battery manufacturer sites will tell you about chemistry and Ah's, solar and EV sites will tell you about life cycles and reliability=2E Google will come up with more links than you'll ever have time to read=2E

73,

Mark K5LXP  
Albuquerque, NM  
k5lxp@arrl=2Enet

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 11:25:58 -0400  
From: "Pastor-KC1DI" <elbc@pivot.net>  
To: <nielsen@oz.net>,  
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134574] Re: qrz.com  
Message-ID: <001701c25815\$48892460\$8183fea9@dor>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

It seems to be working now just looked up a call on qrz.  
73 dave

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bob Nielsen" <nielsen@oz.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 10:31:39 -0500 (EST)  
From: <igeq100@iupui.edu>  
To: Paul Christensen <w9ac@arrl.net>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134575] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
Message-ID: <Pine.GS0.3.96.1020909102920.28180E-1000000@jade.iupui.edu>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Hi, Paul -

I have thought of doing that, but what has held me back is that the crystal filter on the input is probably too sharply tuned to let you take good advantage of the extended frequency swing. A small VX0 range would be nice to match a received signal to a fixed-frequency audio filter, however. Just my thoughts.

73,  
Rich, WB9LPU

On Mon, 9 Sep 2002, Paul Christensen wrote:

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> circuit combined with two parallel crystals might work nicely to extend coverage out to approximately 50 kHz and the parts count is  
> quite small.  
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> -Paul, W9AC  
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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 11:34:31 -0400  
From: "Paul Christensen" <w9ac@arrl.net>  
To: "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>  
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134576] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
Message-ID: <001601c25816\$64c5bac0\$6401a8c0@se1.client2.attbi.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Excellent points Mark. I forgot that Dave is using an extremely narrow Q RF input circuit through the use of Y1. Modifying Y1 to precisely track with Y2 would be difficult without perfectly matched 40M crystals. A tuned circuit could be used in its place, but at some point, you begin to depart from the original design to the point where

changes become unreasonable. The second issue you raised would be even more difficult to overcome: with paralalled crystals, the T/R offset becomes greatly magnified and creating a precise transmit offset over all ranges of the VX0 would become unmanagable without the benefit having a separate TX mixer to adjust the T/R offset. Thanks for the reality check!

-Paul, W9AC

----- Original Message -----

From: "Mark J. Dulcey" <mark@buttery.org>  
To: <w9ac@arrl.net>  
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 10:42 AM  
Subject: Re: RockMite VX0 Modification

> Paul Christensen wrote:  
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> That being said, I'd love to hear from anyone who succeeds!  
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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 10:41:26 -0500 (CDT)  
From: bob evinger <wd9eka@evinger.com>  
To: Jack Bennett <J.Bennett@lboro.ac.uk>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134577] Re: qrz.com  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0209091038310.11191-100000@aprs.evinger.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

It appears to have been fixed. Must have been a network problem. I had about 10 people respond directly to me and it was running about 50% on who could and couldn't get to qrz yesterday. Thanks to those who responded I just wanted to make sure it wasn't a localized(i.e. operator error) problem.

73

bob

On Mon, 9 Sep 2002, Jack Bennett wrote:

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> whatsoever. Certainly over the last few weeks there has been no problem from  
> here, so I can only assume that the problems are local.  
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> 72 & Regards,  
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> Jack  
> G3PVG  
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> ----- Original Message -----  
> From: "Bob Nielsen" <nielsen@oz.net>  
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
> Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 4:45 AM  
> Subject: Re: qrz.com  
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> > there is a major routing problem somewhere along the way.  
> >  
> > Bob, N7XY  
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Bob Evinger WD9EKA/AAR5MG(Army MARS operator)  
If Guns Cause Crime, Then Matches Cause Arson.

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 11:49:14 -0700  
From: "Dave Benson" <nn1g@earthlink.net>  
To: <igeq100@iupui.edu>, <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134578] Re: RockMite VX0 Modification  
Message-ID: <007d01c25831\$98dc2040\$5aefd73f@pavilion>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Rich-

The same modification which has been used to good effect for AM BCI- the inductor in parallel with D1/D2- broadens out the front-end response. It then becomes a tradeoff between passband sharpness and ultimate rejection.

The frequency (T/R) offset will vary as a function of VX0 tuning but it's probably still usable- we'll wait to see what folks come up with.

73- Dave

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Dave Benson, K1SWL

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>>-----Original Message-----

From: igeq100@iupui.edu <igeq100@iupui.edu>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Date: Monday, September 09, 2002 8:36 AM  
Subject: Re: RockMite VX0 Modification

Hi, Paul -

I have thought of doing that, but what has held me back is that the crystal filter on the input is probably too sharply tuned to let you take good advantage of the extended frequency swing. <<

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 16:57:06 +0100  
From: "Tony Fishpool" <tony@g4wif.fsnet.co.uk>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134579] Re: RockMite VXO Modification  
Message-ID: <004101c25819\$957821a0\$bc3d86d9@celeron>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi all,  
I'm not sure the filter is that sharp. My Rockmite came with 7.040 crystals and over here we use 7.030 as the QRP frequency. With the 7.030 crystal in the oscillator and the 7.040 in the front end I can still hear a useful amount of activity. So 10k either side should probably be achievable and make the beast even more fun!

Any comments from Dave Benson? (who should have a special permit for causing so much fun!)

Kind regards  
Tony - G4WIF

----- Original Message -----

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> the crystal filter on the input is probably too sharply tuned to let you  
> take good advantage of the extended frequency swing.  
<snip>  
> 73,  
> Rich, WB9LPU

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 10:58:32 -0500  
From: "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>  
To: <w9ac@arrl.net>,  
      "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134580] RE: RockMite VXO Modification  
Message-ID: <NGBBJPBAOLKEABLLGGKBOEKBCDAA.KD5NWA@MBayona.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Rock Mite II? with minor changes to the circuitry and the Pic chip (one with a D/A port and some nonvolatile memory) it would be possible to have a bigger frequency range, memories, settable side tone...etc, 10 KHz wouldn't be too bad a range. Is the code in the pick available?

Cecil  
KD5NWA

-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of Paul Christensen  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 10:35 AM  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: Re: RockMite VX0 Modification

Excellent points Mark. I forgot that Dave is using an extremely narrow Q RF input circuit through the use of Y1. Modifying Y1 to precisely track with Y2 would be difficult without perfectly matched 40M crystals. A tuned circuit could be used in its place, but at some point, you begin to depart from the original design to the point where changes become unreasonable. The second issue you raised would be even more difficult to overcome: with paralalled crystals, the T/R offset becomes greatly magnified and creating a precise transmit offset over all ranges of the VX0 would become unmanagable without the benefit having a separate TX mixer to adjust the T/R offset. Thanks for the reality check!

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Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 10:42 AM  
Subject: Re: RockMite VX0 Modification

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 09:14:51 -0700  
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134581] Re: qrz.com  
Message-ID: <20020909161451.GA16995@bob.n7xy.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Disposition: inline

I would have assumed so also, but I ran into the same problem from three sites in three different states. I suspect that all of these routed via the same network and that network was down. It is quite possible that other networks had no problems.

I can reach qrz.com this morning, so whatever problem existed apparently has been resolved.

72/73,  
Bob, N7XY

On Mon, Sep 09, 2002 at 03:33:24PM +0100, Jack Bennett wrote:

> Hi Bob,  
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> 72 & Regards,

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> Jack  
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> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
> Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 4:45 AM

> Subject: Re: qrz.com  
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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 11:37:22 -0500  
From: Jim Crooke <crooke@prodigy.net>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134582] FS : K2  
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20020909113200.00a80690@pop3.norton.antivirus>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

After much internal debate (you know the kind, devil on one shoulder, angel on the other) I have decided to sell my K2.

It has the KAT2, SSB, NB and 160 mtr options. ser. # 15xx \$750 shipped CONUS

Hurry before I change my mind again!

73 es oo de Jim KJ0C  
Healer of Brachycephalics and other fine looking creatures  
in Springfield, MO  
FP # -108 and semi-official veterinarian of the Flying Pigs QRP Club  
PITA #2 SOC #37

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 11:41:43 -0500  
From: "Doc Lindsey K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>  
To: "qrp-l reflector" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Cc: "doc k0evz earthlink" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>  
Subject: [134583] K0EVZ FOX list coming  
Message-ID: <412002919164143264@earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII

Gang:

Very sorry for the delay in publishing the FOX QSO list for last Thursday evening. Got caught up in things at work. I plan to have it out ASAP today. Thanks.

73,  
--Doc/K0EVZ

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 12:18:52 -0500  
From: Karl Kanalz <kkanalz@gcecispc.com>  
To: "'k3chp@erols.com'" <k3chp@erols.com>,  
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134584] RE:Six Meter AM @5400 kHz?  
Message-ID: <01C257FD.4089A4A0@KKANALZ>

I doubt you'll find much six meter AM activity in any state or city, Joe.... Not, at least, at 5400 kHz!

Since 54.0000 MHz is the upper band limit, I don't think you'll find much there, either, since AM sidebands would be outside the band limit. Then again, since it's Washington, DC, the FCC may not care to much [ grin!]

Karl K - W8TIF  
McKinney, Texas

-----Original Message-----  
From: Joseph Mikuckis [SMTP:k3chp@erols.com]  
Sent: Sunday, September 08, 2002 12:13 PM

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: Re Six Meter AM

Lots of six-meter AM activity around Washington, DC/Baltimore area each Sunday at 9 am local time on 5400 KHz.

Joe, K3CHP  
Frederica, DE

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 12:47:27 -0500  
From: "Doc Lindsey K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>  
To: "qrp-l reflector" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Cc: "doc k0evz earthlink" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>  
Subject: [134585] K0EVZ FOX Log for 6 Sep 02  
Message-ID: <412002919174727656@earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII

Gang:

Very sorry for the delay. Have been dealing with some tricky legal issues at work and just got swamped. Anyway, here is the first draft of my log. As always, please look it over and let me know of necessary changes. Thanks.

73,  
--Doc/K0EVZ

0200	W5YR	559	TX	George	5w
0201	K3IU	559	RI	Ken	5w
0201	K5JHP	559	TX	Bill	5w
0202	NM5M	559	TX	Eric	5w
0203	KC5LD	559	TX	Dan	5w

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0204	N5ZE	559	TX	Lew	5w
0205	KV2X	559	NY	Tom	5w
0205	KB7WW	559	OR	Art	5w
0206	K5DI	559	NM	Karl	5w
0207	AA4LR	559	GA	Bill	5w

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0208	W7SFF	559	WA	Dean	5w
0209	KQ5U	559	TX	Terry	5w

0210	W5TB	559	TX	Doc	5w
0211	K5E0A	559	LA	Wayne	5w
0211	AA50	559	LA	Vern	5w
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0212	N5IB	559	LA	Jim	5w
0213	NK6A/6	559	CA	Don	5w
0214	K4GT	559	GA	Jim	5w
0214	WR50	559	TX	Dave	5w
0215	N4ROA	559	VA	Dan	5w
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0216	K7IE	559	OR	Clair	5w
0216	K3PH	559	PA	Bob	5w
0217	K40AH	559	GA	Garey	5w
0218	W5USJ	559	TX	Chuck	5w
0218	NN5E	559	TX	Vern	5w
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0219	N5YFC	559	LA	Wayne	5w
0220	K3ESE	559	MD	Lloyd	5w
0221	KC2CK	559	NY	Don	1w
0224	N3XRV	559	PA	Chris	5w
0225	KG4LDY	559	VA	Jim	5w
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0226	VE3FAL	559	ON	Fred	5w
0226	N1TP	559	FL	Jim	5w
0227	AJ4AY	559	AL	Jay	4w
0227	KC1FB	559	CT	Jim	1w
0228	W4NJK	559	CA	Charlie	5w
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0229	K6MMC	559	CA	Mike	5w
0231	WA7TZE	559	WI	Jim	5w
0232	KC6CYN	559	CA	Trev	5w
0233	K5SR	559	TX	Dale	5w
0234	K5TR	559	TX	Geo	<<2mW>>
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0239	AB9CA	559	AL	Dave	5w
0242	AC7A	559	AZ	Tom	1w
0244	VE6EX	559	AB	Dan	5w
0245	WD65BRD	559	CA	Rich	5w
0247	N9NE	559	WI	Todd	5w
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0252	N6LIF	559	TX	Martin	40w
0250	AL7FS	559	AK	Jim	5w
0307	K4FB	559	FL	Paul	5w
0310	WA2DGD	559	PA	Larry	4w
0312	KI0II	559	CO	Ron	1w
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0319	KJ0C	559	MO	Jim	5w
0322	AA7EQ	559	AZ	Bob	5w



0329 K7NWS 559 WA Phil 5w  
0330 NK9G 559 WI Doug 5w  
0332 W9BYN/7 559 IN John 5w

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0334 K6KI 559 CA Glen 5w  
0336 N7XY 559 WA Bob 5w  
0342 W9XU 549 WI Lon 5w  
0345 N1FN 559 CO ET 5w  
0347 WB7AEI 559 WA Phil 5w

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0348 N7BVY 559 WA Steve 5w  
0350 AA7UA 559 WA Larry 5w  
0351 KJ5VW/7 559 AZ Gary 5w  
0359 K0EVZ FOX

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 12:44:48 -0500  
From: Ed Manuel <edmanuel@directvinternet.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134586] RE:Six Meter AM @5400 kHz?  
Message-ID: <4.3.2.7.2.20020909124332.00ca1b70@mail.directvinternet.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

I am sure that Joe meant 50.4 Mhz., which most of us recognize as the long-standing AM calling frequency on 6 meters. Somewhere, I probably still have my 8 mhz. crystal that multiplies up to there.

Ed, N5EM

At 12:18 PM 9/9/02 -0500, you wrote:  
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>Joe, K3CHP  
>Frederica, DE

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 12:54:27 -0500  
From: "KD5NWA" <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134587] Test don't bother to read  
Message-ID: <NGBBJPBAOLKEABLLGGKBKEKMCDA.KD5NWA@MBayona.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I told you not to read it!

My ISP won't let me originate a message to this reflector, this is a test to see if I can get around it.

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 13:49:40 -0500  
From: Ken Hopper <khopper@uchicago.edu>  
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134588] re: "RockMite VX0 Modification" - solved!  
Message-ID: <3D7CED44.7010503@uchicago.edu>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Y\*E\*S I believe Dave already has THE SOLUTION worked out!

it is called the "Son of DSW" or the "DSW-II" :-)))

de ken n9vv

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 09:24:24 -0600 (MDT)  
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>  
To: Dave Sjolín <sjolin@swbell.net>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134589] Re: 15 meters is open  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0209090923300.11017-100000@bucket.dog>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

It doesn't take nearly as long. And it's not hard work.

On Mon, 9 Sep 2002, Dave Sjolín wrote:

> Not nearly as interesting as your ear wax or Linux travails. Thanks so much  
> for sharing.

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>

> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

> Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 7:33 AM

> Subject: 15 meters is open

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> > I got my FT-817 going around 0200 UTC and decided to just tune

> > the dead 15 meters. There was a signal, strong on 21.015 so I called

> > him, W9IW. He came right back and gave me a 577. I gave him a 599+ and

> > told him I was QRP 250 milliwatts. He said I was good copy. Doug then

> > tuned his rig ic765 all the way down to 10 watts and I told him still

> > 599.

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> > We rag chewed for about 40 minutes. Doug is in Nashville, Te

> > where his kids are living. He plans to open his rig up and didle the

> > power control to bottom out at 5 watts.

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> > 72, Karl K5DI

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To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: FS: 1982 ARRL Handbook

All yours for \$5 plus postage.

73,  
Larry W1HUE/7

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 15:49:28 -0400  
From: kwiike@gdls.com  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134592] Michigan QRP Net  
Message-ID: <0FD99D5505.EA9C505D-ON85256C2F.006C9CB0@gdls.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

No Michigan QRP net this week. I just got the word that I will be traveling London, ONT. Not enough time to organize a replacement.

Ed AB8DF

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 13:45:12 -0700 (PDT)  
From: Bill ROWLETT <kc4atu@yahoo.com>  
To: k5di@zianet.com,  
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134593] Re: 15 meters is open  
Message-ID: <20020909204512.90197.qmail@web14208.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

It is nice to hear that 15 is opening up for some long stuff. You know, it is never dead, just in a short mode or it is a time of day when most people think it is dead.

Most nights, here on the east coast around 8:00 to 10:00pm, I can tune across 15 and 10 meters and find weak signals and strong beacons from Central and South America.

The band only seems dead because most people do not

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Keep us informed Karl, even if I do read the post at work and wish I was at home.

73, Bill kc4atu

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 16:17:12 -0500  
From: Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>  
To: kc4atu@yahoo.com,  
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134594] Re: 15 meters is open  
Message-ID: <000701c25846\$44412430\$caded840@DaveSjolin>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

True Bill. In the central US, if conditions are half way decent, at that time of night you can probably hear some of the old Russian republics (Uzbekistan, Kirghizastan, Moldavia, Kazackstan) the Middle East, and Europe. The rarer stuff wont necessarily be strong. Good DX

73 de Dave, N0IT

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Bill ROWLETT" <kc4atu@yahoo.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 3:45 PM  
Subject: Re: 15 meters is open

> It is nice to hear that 15 is opening up for some long  
> stuff. You know, it is never dead, just in a short  
> mode or it is a time of day when most people think it  
> is dead.  
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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 17:25:38 -0400  
From: "Fancher, Mark (GEAE)" <Mark.Fancher@ae.ge.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134595] RE: 15 meters is open  
Message-ID: <F9351DA9F0F6D41187410090277B3EB307D30786@ev008msxaege.ae.ge.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"

Got VANUATU at about 10:30 local time last night on 15m CW. An all time new one for me. He was barely above the noise, but conditions were quiet.

Mark, AA4MF

-----Original Message-----  
From: Dave Sjolin [mailto:sjolin@swbell.net]  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 5:17 PM  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: Re: 15 meters is open

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73 de Dave, N0IT

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From: "Bill ROWLETT" <kc4atu@yahoo.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Monday, September 09, 2002 3:45 PM  
Subject: Re: 15 meters is open

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 18:05:49 -0400  
From: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>  
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134596] Re: K0EVZ FOX Log - Pesky Texans  
Message-ID: <000301c2584d\$0f2675a0\$6b2a0843@swfla.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There be many Pesky Texans in this Log.

Tom, N1TP  
Naples, FL

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 15:22:42 -0700  
From: "Bill Jones" <kd7s@psnw.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134597] Interesting Message - Probable Virus  
Message-ID: <000b01c2584f\$6a4f2e70\$9110010a@fresno>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
                charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I just received an e-mail showing the sender being qrp-1 (not



qrp-1@lehigh.edu) with the subject, "A IE 6.0 patch" (sic). The body contained the text:

This is a IE 6.0 patch  
I wish you would enjoy it.

There were two attachments:

oppst.exe and  
trouble.htm

This is no doubt a virus but I couldn't find any information on it from either Norton's nor McAfee's web sites. If anybody else gets this I recommend you delete it .... unless someone else knows what it is.

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Bill Jones - <><  
Sanger, California  
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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 18:24:09 -0400  
From: "Mullin, Edward J." <mulline@tycoelectronics.com>  
To: "'QRP'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134598] Newbie Question about QSL Cards  
Message-ID: <F1C60F6146F4DF4B902254ECAC17271D6A0566@us358mx00>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain

Hello All,

I was wondering if someone could tell me how to send out QSL cards, I have made some of my own, and I figure you just fill in the blanks and drop them in the mail. The only 'DX' contacts I have to date are from Canada, is there anything wrong with just sending international QSL in the mail? What about all these Buro's I hear about? How do they work? are they worth it for a low volume operator such as myself?

Tnx es 73

KB1HYS  
Ed Mullin

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Date: Mon, 9 Sep 2002 16:33:01 -0600

From: w0yse@juno.com  
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134599] To Bob Armstrong -Manti Tornado  
Message-ID: <20020909.163306.-221175.0.w0yse@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bob,

I lost your email address but I was wondering if you suffered any damage at your location because of the tornado that passed thru Manti the other day.

Hope you are ok

Neil Klagge, w0yse  
Layton, Utah

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 18:36:34 -0400  
From: Ed Tanton <n4xy@earthlink.net>  
To: QRP-L Reflector <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [134600] Re: Interesting Message - Probable Virus  
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.2.20020909183124.0329c2d0@pop.earthlink.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

You know... you'd think if these cretins were intelligent enough to play around with viruses... they'd be intelligent enough to 1) think up some new approaches; and 2) manage to learn enough English to sound at least half-way convincing.

The death penalty is too good for these guys... they should have to spend the rest of their miserable lives performing as Customer Service types for Microsoft... or has that already been enacted and proscribed. It would certainly explain a LOT!

73 Ed Tanton N4XY <n4xy@earthlink.net>

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Marietta, GA 30068-3466

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LM: ARRL QCWA AMSAT & INDEXA;  
SEDXC NCDXA GACW QRP-ARCI  
OK-QRP QRP-L #758 K2 (FT) #00057

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Date: Mon, 09 Sep 2002 17:47:19 -0500  
From: "Frank Emens" <femens@hiwaay.net>  
To: kd7s@psnw.com  
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [134601] Re: Interesting Message - Probable Virus  
Message-ID: <3D7CDEA7.25966.23D231B@localhost>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT  
Content-description: Mail message body

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> Bill Jones - <>

If the .exe file was about 85k it is the Klez virus. I've been getting  
copies of Klez at about 3 per week for the last 6 weeks or so and  
it's getting OLD. got another one today. They all have ham radio  
oriented addresses both for the claimed sender and for my address.  
They all use addresses for me harvested from a hamfest web site  
I'm involved with or use the w4hfu@arrl.net address.

They all use the same strange non-english sounding wording you

mentioned "I wish you would enjoy it" or something similar.

On looking at the raw headers for the messages, there is a common denominator in them all -- the statement (by Pegasus mail) "Apparently from x4xxx@aol.com." The call is for a ham in Tennessee. I'll not give the call here, because I think at the very worst his system may be infected and sending these things out. I've sent him an email, but not response so far.

The messages are easily recognized and deleted and my anti-virus s/w will keep me from executing them, but, like I said, it gets OLD!

Anyone know how to stop it?

> Sanger, California  
> =====  
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Frank Emens  
femens@hiwaay.net

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End of QRP-L Digest 2673  
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